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MEMORANDUM FOR: All Office Directors and NIOs

FROM : Presidential Briefing Coordinator

SUBJECT : Presidential Briefing Topics for 6 June and Later

1. The following topics are scheduled to be covered at the 1 June Presidential Briefing in addition to some administrative and operational matters:

- A. NIE 11-4-78
- B. The French Left
- C. Military Lessons for Southern Africa Learned from Performance of Soviet and Cuban Forces in the Angolan & Ethiopian Campaigns

2. The following topics are nominated for the 6 June Presidential Briefing:

- A. South African Nuclear Program
- B. Law of the Sea
- C. India, a short update before PM Desai's Visit

3. The following topics are in various stages of preparation for future Presidential Briefings. The responsible officer and tentative briefing dates, if known, are shown:

- A. Monitoring Arms Control Agreements (PBC)
- B. Political Ferment in Nicaragua (NIO/LA) 13 June
- C. Korean Military Update (OSR-NIO/EAP) 27 June
- D. Role of Evacuation in Soviet Civil Defense (OSR)
- E. Thailand (NIO/EAP)
- F. Bonn Economic Summit (NIO/PE) 11 July
- G. FRG-USSR Relations (NIO/WE) 11 July
- H. Panama - Situation after the Treaties (NIO/LA) 13 June
- I. US-USSR Technical Collection Comparison (NITC-OWI)
- J. Egypt's Water Problems and Use of Computer Simulation Model to Assess Future Alternative Water Management Strategies (OGCR)
- K. Soviet Actions to Cope with Their Economic Difficulties (OER) 20 June
- L. Soviet Air Defense Systems (OWI)
- M. Soviet Microelectronics: Civilian & Military Use (OSI-OER)
- N. Soviet Performance During the Cosmos 954 Event (OWI)
- O. Pakistan (NIO/NESA) 27 June
- P. Nuclear Power in the LDCs (OER)

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- Q. US-USSR Arms Transfer Comparison (OER)
- R. Sino-Soviet Relations (NIO/CH-NIO/USSR) 5-6 July
- S. Caribbean-Mexican Illegal Migration (OER)
- T. Prospects of Nuclear Terrorist Threats from Abroad (NIO/NP)

4. The following topics have been proposed as possible future topics for Presidential Briefings. These topics have not yet been approved by D/NFAC. After D/NFAC approval of the topic, the responsible officer will be asked to provide an outline for the DCI's approval. Preparation of the draft briefing starts after the outline is approved.

- A. Colombian Drug Traffic
- B. Submarine Detection and Tracking
- C. Soviet Natural Gas Capacity
- D. Western European Recombinant DNA Research
- E. Chinese Plans to Increase Science and Technology Capability

5. Basic preparation work has been completed on the following briefings. They are being held awaiting an appropriate opportunity to use them. Then the responsible officer will be contacted by the PBC for a last-minute review and update of the briefing. Responsible officers are requested to inform the PBC if these topics are to be treated in the PDB, NID or other intelligence publication so that the briefings can be canceled or modified as appropriate.

- A. Covert Communications (OTS)
- B. Soviet Forced Labor (OGCR)
- C.
- D. Philippine Insurgency (ORPA & NIO/EAP)
- E. Soviet ECCM (OWI)
- F. Estimating SLBM Effectiveness--A Soviet and US Comparison (OWI)

6. The Indian Nuclear Policy and Prospects has been dropped from the list of active topics because it has been incorporated in the general briefing on India. Similarly Monitoring a CW Ban will be incorporated in the Monitoring Arms Control Agreements topic.

7. The D/OGCR, D/OWI and NIOs SP, USSR, and EAP are requested to submit topics for use in mid-July to the PBC by COB Tuesday, 6 June. The D/OSR, D/OIA and NIOs PE, WE and CH will be requested to nominate topics for use in late July the following week.

8. A tentative schedule for major topic preparation is attached.



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TENTATIVE MAJOR TOPIC PREPARATION SCHEDULE

<u>Week of</u>	<u>Backup Material to DCI on:</u>	<u>DCI/NFAC Meeting on:</u>	<u>Presidential Briefing on:</u>
29 May	Panama	SE Asia	NIE 11-4-78 The French Left
5 June	Soviet Actions to Cope with Economic Problems	Around-the-table with NIOs	Law of the Sea South African Nuclear Program India
12 June	Pakistan Korean Military Update	Soviet Actions to Cope with Economic Problems	Nicaragua Panama
19 June	Sino-Soviet Relations	Korean Military Update	Soviet Actions to Cope with Economic Problems
26 June	Bonn Economic Summit FRG-USSR Relations	Sino-Soviet Relations	Pakistan Korean Military Update
3 July	Nuclear Terrorism	(none)	Sino-Soviet Relations
10 July	?	?	Bonn Economic Summit FRG-USSR Relations

Filler material is or will be available on the following topics:

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| -Soviet Forced Labor | -Soviet Microelectronics: Civilian & Military Use |
| -Covert Communications | -Soviet Performance During the Cosmos 954 Event |
| -Philippine Insurgency | -Nuclear Power in the LDCs |
| -Soviet ECCM | -Estimating SLBM Effectiveness |
| -Soviet Air Defense | -US-USSR Technical Collection Comparison |
| -Thailand | -Caribbean-Mexican Illegal Migration |
| | -Egypt's Water Problems |

Note that this schedule is tentative. It will be revised weekly and major changes may take place from week to week.

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